

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Sweet Adelines International has 27,000 members and 599 chapters worldwide, representing 14 countries and was founded and established on July 13, 1945, in Tulsa, Oklahoma, by Edna Mae Anderson; and,

*Whereas*, Sweet Adelines International is a non-profit international organization of women singers committed to advancing the musical art form of barbershop harmony through education and performances; and,

*Whereas*, this year, Sweet Adelines International is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> year of "Harmonizing the World"; and,

*Whereas*, River Harmony Sweet Adelines, Pierre, South Dakota is a proud member of Sweet Adelines International and has been singing and ringing barbershop chords for local and regional events for over 8 years and is committed to advancing the musical art form of barbershop harmony; and,

*Whereas*, River Harmony will perform at the Pierre City Band Concert in Steamboat Park the evening of July 13, 2005, in honor of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sweet Adelines International:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 13, 2005, as

### *SWEET ADELINES INTERNATIONAL DAY*

in Pierre, South Dakota, and encourage every woman with the love of singing to seek opportunities with a Sweet Adeline International chorus.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.



*M. Michael Rounds*  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Chris Nelson*  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State